



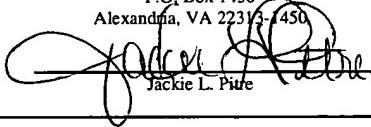
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/841,302
Confirmation No.: 4731
Filing Date: April 24, 2001
Inventors: de Rouffignac et al.
Title: IN SITU THERMAL
PROCESSING OF A
HYDROCARBON
CONTAINING FORMATION
USING HEAT SOURCES
POSITIONED WITHIN OPEN
WELLBORES

§ Examiner: J. J. Kreck
§ Art Unit: 3673
§ Atty. Dkt. No.: 5659-08200/EBM

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

(under 37 CFR § 1.114)

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This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of application number 09/841,302, filed on April 24, 2001, entitled IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING OF A HYDROCARBON CONTAINING FORMATION USING HEAT SOURCES POSITIONED WITHIN OPEN WELLBORES.

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Assignee: Shell Oil Company	Recorded at Reel 012236, Frame 0852
Correspondence Address in Prior Application:	Del Christensen Shell Oil Company P.O. Box 2463 Houston, Texas 77252-2463

Application Elements

1. Filing Fee

A Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit for the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.

2. Information Disclosure Statement, accompanying Form PTO-1449; and electronically submitted Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).

3. Amendments

An amendment is enclosed.

Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

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- Please consider the arguments in the response filed on ____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.
- Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed on ____.
5. Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time
6. Return Receipt Postcard

If an extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above referenced application from becoming abandoned, the appropriate extension of time is requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5659-08200/EBM.

Respectfully submitted,



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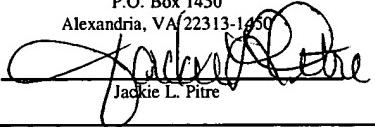
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1. Request for Continued Examination	\$770.00
<u>TOTAL AMOUNT:</u> \$770.00	

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fee or other fees that may be necessary to the same account number. If the above-mentioned account is found to have insufficient funds, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-08200/EBM.

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